

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (previously presented) A fuel feed unit for feeding fuel from a fuel tank, having a fuel pump drawing in fuel from a swirl pot, a suction jet pump feeding fuel from the fuel tank into the swirl pot, and a pump fluid line led to the suction jet pump from the delivery side of the fuel pump, characterized in that a pressure-dependent volume flow reducing valve (13, 14) is arranged in the pump fluid line (11, 12) for restricting the fuel volume flow delivered to the suction jet pump (5, 6) as the delivery pressure of the fuel pump (4) increases.
2. (previously presented) The fuel feed unit as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the volume flow reducing valve (13, 14) has a piston (18), preloaded by a spring element (19) against the delivery pressure of the fuel pump (4), that the piston (18) is displaceably arranged in a duct (22) and that a cross-section of an annular gap arranged between the piston (18) and the duct (22) diminishes as the piston (18) is moved against the force of the spring element (19).
3. (previously presented) The fuel feed unit as claimed in claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the piston (18) has a section (20) with a widening, preferably conical, cross section opposed to a control edge of the duct (22).
4. (currently amended) The fuel feed unit as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 3, characterized in that the duct (22) has a widening, preferably conical section (21).
5. (currently amended) The fuel feed unit as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterized in that the volume flow reducing valve (13, 14) has an opening (17)

provided for arrangement in the fuel tank (1) and that the side of the piston (18) remote from the delivery pressure has a connection to the opening (17).

6. (currently amended) The fuel feed unit as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 2, characterized in that piston (18) is preloaded by means of a spring element (19) into its position opening up the pump fluid line (11, 12).